

Appl. No. 09/737,606
Amdt. dated March 16, 2004
Reply to Office Action of February 26, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 CFR 1.121), Applicant respectfully brings to Examiner's attention that the claims had been mis-numbered at the time of filing of the present application. The claim count had skipped "number 9". Consequently, there is no claim 9.

The amendment (sent on 16-FEB-2004) in response to the Office Action dated 28-NOV-2003 has a complete listing of the claims. There are claims 1 – 8 and claims 10 – 20.

Therefore, Applicant believes the amendment is compliant and requests timely examination.

Please charge any fees other than the issue fee and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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